

Battlefield National Historic Site Act of 1991 to expand the boundaries of the historic site;

**Pages H8595–96**

**Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact:** S.J. Res. 45, to express the consent and approval of Congress to an interstate compact regarding water resources in the Great Lakes—St. Lawrence River Basin;

**Pages H8506–17**

**Elder Abuse Victims Act of 2008:** H.R. 5352, amended, to protect seniors in the United States from elder abuse by establishing specialized elder abuse prosecution and research programs and activities to aid victims of elder abuse and to provide training to prosecutors and other law enforcement related to elder abuse prevention and protection;

**Pages H8519–22**

**College Fire Prevention Act:** H.R. 642, amended, to establish a demonstration incentive program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories;

**Pages H8528–30**

**United States Fire Administration Reauthorization Act of 2008:** S. 2606, to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration; and

**Pages H8534–38**

**Establishing a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles:** H.R. 6323, amended, to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles.

**Pages H8539–41**

**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House and a message received from the Senate today appear on pages S8481 and S8543.

**Senate Referrals:** S. 531 was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and S. 2606 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8543–44, H8544–45, and H8545. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:18 p.m.

## Committee Meeting

### RETAIL CRIME

**Committee on the Judiciary:** Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 6713, E-fencing Enforce-

ment Act of 2008; H.R. 6491, Organized Retail Crime Act of 2008; and S. 3434, Combating Organized Retail Crime Act of 2008. Testimony was heard from Congressman Brad Ellsworth; and public witnesses.

### CREDIT CARDHOLDER BILL OF RIGHTS ACT

**Committee on Rules:** Granted, by a recorded vote of 7–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5244, “the Credit Cardholders’ Bill of Rights Act of 2008.” The rule provides for one hour general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions of the bill, as amended, are waived.

The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. The rule allows the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services to insert in the Congressional Record at any time during the remainder of the second session of the 110th Congress such material as he may deem explanatory of defense authorization measures for the fiscal year 2009. Testimony was heard from Representatives Maloney of New York, and Campbell.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1123)

H.R. 6456, to provide for extensions of certain authorities of the Department of State. Signed on September 19, 2008. (Public Law 110–321)

S. 2450, to amend the Federal Rules of Evidence to address the waiver of the attorney-client privilege and the work product doctrine. Signed on September 19, 2008. (Public Law 110–322)

H.R. 5683, to make certain reforms with respect to the Government Accountability Office. Signed on September 22, 2008. (Public Law 110–323)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2008**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, with the Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold joint hearings to examine food marketing to children, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the situation in Iraq and Afghanistan; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine turmoil in United States credit markets, focusing on recent actions regarding investment banks and other financial institutions, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold oversight hearings to examine the transition to digital television, focusing on the February 2009 deadline, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine reasons that diesel fuel prices have been so high and what can be done to address this situation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine regulation of greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act (Public Law 101-549), 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine covering the uninsured, focusing on making health insurance markets work, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider Protocols to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of the Republic of Albania and the Republic of Croatia adopted at Brussels on July 9, 2008, and signed that day on behalf of the United States and the other Parties to the North Atlantic Treaty (Treaty Doc. 110-20), Amendments to the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) (Geneva 1992), as amended by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto 1994), together with declarations and reservations by the United States as contained in the Final Acts of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis 1998) (Treaty Doc. 108-05), Amendments to the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), as amended by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) and the Plenipotentiary Conference (Minneapolis, 1998), together with the declarations and reservations by the United States, all as contained in the Final Acts of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002) (Treaty Doc. 109-11), Amendments to the Constitution and Convention of the International Telecommunication Union (Geneva, 1992), as Amended by the Plenipotentiary Conference (Kyoto, 1994) and the Plenipotentiary Conference (Marrakesh, 2002), Together with the Declarations and Reservations by the United States, all as Contained in the Final Acts of the Plenipotentiary Conference (Antalya, 2006) (Treaty Doc. 110-16), S. 2609, to establish a

Global Service Fellowship Program, S. 3103, to amend the Iran, North Korea, and Syria nonproliferation Act to allow certain extraordinary payments in connection with the International Space Station, S. 1007, to direct the Secretary of State to work with the Government of Brazil and other foreign governments to develop partnerships that will strengthen diplomatic relations and energy security by accelerating the development of biofuels production, research, and infrastructure to alleviate poverty, create jobs, and increase income, while improving energy security and protecting the environment, S. 3426, to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to extend comparability pay adjustments to members of the Foreign Service assigned to posts abroad, and to amend the provision relating to the death gratuity payable to surviving dependents on Foreign Service employees who die as a result of injuries sustained in the performance of duty abroad, S. Res. 598, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding the need for the United States to lead renewed international efforts to assist developing nations in conserving natural resources and preventing the impending extinction of a large portion of the world's plant and animal species, an original bill entitled, "Security Assistance Act", and the nominations of Brian H. Hook, of Iowa, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs), Sung Y. Kim, of California, a Foreign Service Officer of Class One, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Envoy for the Six Party Talks, Gregori Lebedev, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador and to be Alternate Representative of the United States to the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, Clifford D. May, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors, C. Steven McGann, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Fiji Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Nauru, the Kingdom of Tonga, Tuvalu, and the Republic of Kiribati, and other pending nominations, 2:15 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, to hold hearings to examine investing in a skilled workforce, focusing on making the best use of tax-payer dollars to maximize results, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery, to hold hearings to examine after action reviews of Federal, State, and local activities to respond and recover from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine reducing the undercount in the 2010 census, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 3474, to amend title 44, United States Code, to enhance information security of the Federal Government, S. 3384, to amend section 11317 of title 40, United States Code, to